

## 2011 IEMSA Conference October 6, 2011

7:30 a.m. –5 p.m.
Primo's Conference Center
2353 E. Perry Road, Plainfield, IN

## "EMS Law, Reimbursement and Risk Management— Surviving and Thriving in 2011 and Beyond"

Keynote Speaker: Stephen R. Wirth of Page, Wolfberg & Wirth, LLC Sponsored by Ambulance Billing Services. Inc.

"Reimbursement Hot Topics for 2011: Signatures, Mileage and the Critical Documentation Issues" Medicare has made recent changes that are impacting you now just since the start of the year—like how mileage should now be documented and billed and new rules on "legibility" of signatures and verification of credentials.

#### Patient Privacy and Social Networking: Put the Right "Face" on Facebook"

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#### Keynote Speaker: Jason T. White, Chairman of the Missouri EMS Agent Corp. Missouri FRA

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Seminar Cost: \$125 per person (includes lunch) \$100 for IEMSA members (includes lunch) Registration 7:30—8:30 a.m. Seminar begins at 9 a.m.

**Lunch & Learn:** "Hot off the Press—Ask the Attorney" 12:30—1:45 p.m. with Steve Wirth

**Who should attend**—Ambulance Service Executives, Managers and Supervisors, Compliance Officers, Field operational Supervisors, field providers, Fire Chiefs, Deputy Chiefs, City Managers, Controllers and general administrative staff members that play a role in EMS patient care, operations, billing or management.

## **IEMSA Conference Registration Form**

Please print clearly Fill out one per attendee

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Name of Attendee:				
Name as it is to appear on badge	e:			
Department Name:	Title/Certi	Title/Certification level:		
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# For those who would like to stay overnight there are numerous hotels located nearby. Below is a list of hotels and the Priceline cost for each:

 Homewood Suites (\$116)
 Hampton Inn (\$99)
 Value Place (\$60)

 2264 East Perry Road
 2244 E. Perry Rd,
 6295 Gateway Blvd.,

 Plainfield IN
 Plainfield, IN
 Plainfield, IN

 (317) 839-1900
 (317) 839-9993 hamptoninn1.hilton.com
 (317) 837-2950

Wingate by Wyndham (\$94)
6300 Gateway Dr.
Plainfield, IN
(317) 837-2930

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61009 Cambridge Way
Plainfield, IN
(317) 279-2500

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61009 Cambridge Way
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## **Conference Track**

## Reimbursement

## **Education**

7:30-8:30 a.m.	Registration	7:30-8:30 a.m.	Registration		
8-9 a.m.	Vendors open	8-9 a.m.	Vendors open		
9 a.m.	Welcome	9 a.m.	Welcome		
9:15 a.m10:15 a.m.	. Steve Wirth	9:15-10:15 a.m.	Stan Capobianco		
"EMS Law, Reimburs	ement & Risk Management"	"Incident Managemen	_		
10:15-10:30 a.m.	Break	10:15-10:30 a.m. Vendors open	Break		
10:45 a.m12:30 p.m.	Steve Wirth "Patient Privacy and So	10:45 a.m12:30 p.m. ocial Networking"	<b>Steve Wirth</b>		
Noon -1:45 p.m.	Vendors open	Noon-1:45 p.m.	Vendors open		
12:30-1:30 p.m.	Lunch	12:30-1:30 p.m.	Lunch		
"Hot off the Press-Ask the Attorney"					
1:45-2:30 p.m.	Will Frankel	1:45 -2:30 p.m.	Tony Hartman		
"Malpractice issues"	<b>"</b>	"Scope of Practice"	•		
2:30-2:45	Break	2:30-2:45 p.m.	Break		
Vendors open					
2:45-4:15	Jason White "Missouri Federal Reimb	2:45-4:15 p.m. ursement Allocation"	Jason White		
4:15-5 p.m. 5 p.m.	Vendors open Conference closes	4:15-5 p.m. 5 p.m.	Vendors open Conference closes		

### **Topic Descriptions**

#### Steve Wirth with Page, Wolfberg & Wirth, LLC

Steve Wirth is a founding member of Page, Wolfberg & Wirth, LLC, The National EMS Industry Law Firm<sup>TM</sup>. The firm represents ambulance services, municipalities, fire departments, hospitals, and other organizations across the country in a wide range of medical transportation issues. Steve is a dynamic and frequently sought after national speaker with over 35 years of experience as an EMT, Paramedic, EMS instructor, Fire Chief, and EMS administrator. He was a two-term Commissioner for the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS), the national ambulance service accrediting body, and remains active in the field as a fire officer for a busy suburban fire department.

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Medicare has made recent changes that are impacting you now just since the start of the year—like how mileage should now be documented and billed and new rules on "legibility" of signatures and verification of credentials. Steve Wirth will cover these and the latest "hot topics" in reimbursement, such as tips on how to get your crews to "tow the line" and document in a way that is legally defensible—to keep you out of troubles—and to help ensure your documentation is complete, accurate, honest and supports the level of service you provide.

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#### **Lunch and Learn**

### "Hot off the Press-Ask the Attorney" by Steve Wirth

Enjoy lunch and take advantage of your time, too! This is your chance to ask the legal experts your "hypothetical" question. Any topic is "fair game"—and you don't often get the chance to get answers from an attorney—especially an EMS attorney—for FREE—and with lunch provided.

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